

# Information Products Bulletin

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## **Significant Information Products Released/Completed Since the Last Publication of the Information Products Bulletin - August 2002, v.4**

The Information Products Bulletin (IPB) is a joint effort between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) to inform the public about "*significant information products*" being developed by EPA and some states, and identify opportunities for stakeholder and public involvement. "*Significant information products*" include products under development or modification by EPA and states, that use national or regional data to describe environmental conditions, trends, and/or the performance of companies, facilities and communities.

The products described below have been completed and released since the publication of the Interim Information Products Bulletin.

## Air

### **Air Markets Information System - Data & Maps**

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** This web-based query tool allows users to access data collected for the Acid Rain Program and the Ozone Transport Commission NOX Budget Program. Users can submit queries, view hourly emissions data, and download reports into various file formats. The first version of this system will include emissions, unit characteristics, and facility characteristics. The product will be expanded over time to provide additional data including allowances, deposition, and monitoring characteristics.

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**How to Access Draft Product:** [cfpub.epa.gov/gdm](http://cfpub.epa.gov/gdm)

### **Fuel Economy Guide**

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** Annual release of model year fuel economy data for cars and trucks. Provides annual miles per gallon estimates for 2003 model year vehicles. Ranks vehicles from the most fuel efficient to the least fuel efficient.

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**How to Access Draft Product:** [www.fueleconomy.gov](http://www.fueleconomy.gov)

## Green Vehicle Guide

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** Consumer-oriented web site which presents emission and fuel economy data for new cars and trucks. Vehicles are rated from 0 to 10 on emission performance, with 10 being the cleanest.

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**How to Access Draft Product:** [www.epa.gov/greenvehicles/](http://www.epa.gov/greenvehicles/)

## MOBILE 6.1 and 6.2 Emission Models - Draft Versions

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** EPA's motor vehicle emissions factor model for estimating particulate matter and air toxics from passenger cars, motorcycles, and light-duty and heavy-duty trucks. MOBILE 6.1 and 6.2 are extensions to MOBILE 6.0, and they are currently draft versions.

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**How to Access Draft Product:** [www.epa.gov/otaq/m6.htm](http://www.epa.gov/otaq/m6.htm)

## Reformulated Gasoline Properties by Covered Area

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** This database will contain information on gasoline samples taken at retail stations in RFG areas. RFG areas require the use of a cleaner burning gasoline to reduce smog-forming and toxic pollutants in the air we breathe. The gasoline is required to be sampled and tested under the RFG regulations by parties manufacturing gasoline for sale in RFG areas (refiners and importers). These RFG areas represent about 30 percent of the nation's gasoline. The samples are collected according to a rigorous statistical sampling plan and accurately reflect gasoline properties for a given area when considered over an averaging period. Summary information for each covered area will be provided. The data will cover 1995 through the most recent available data (at least through the previous year).

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## Enforcement and Compliance

### Enforcement and Compliance History Online Web Site

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** This EPA Web site, Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO), provides the public with access to integrated facility-level enforcement and compliance data. The Web site provides definitions, metadata, and other contextual information to ensure proper and adequate interpretation of this State and national information. The site's format and content are based on recommendations of a joint State/EPA workgroup. EPA released a pilot Web site at

<http://www.epa.gov/idea/region10/>, an extensive data review was conducted by EPA and the States, and the site was available for testing by State and EPA employees. The site is undergoing a 60-day comment period, in which comments have been solicited from industry and environmental groups and the public.

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**How to Access Draft Product:** [www.epa.gov/echo](http://www.epa.gov/echo)

## OECA Annual Accomplishments Report 2001

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** This annual report summarizes OECA's accomplishments during fiscal year 2001. The report outlines work by sector, media, and activity (e.g., compliance assistance, compliance incentives, compliance monitoring, and enforcement) in narrative form. The Accomplishments Report also outlines how OECA is meeting EPA's overall strategic goals.

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## Pesticides

### Pesticide Industry Sales and Usage: 1998-1999 Market Estimates

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** This report contains latest estimates of levels of pesticide use in the United States. The publication reports statistics on pesticide sales and use, based on available information taken from Agency records of registrations, USDA surveys of pesticide use, and other public and proprietary sources. It includes information on agricultural and non-agricultural pesticide use and illustrates graphically historical trends and levels of use over the last 20 years. (publication number EPA-773-R-02-001)

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## Solid Waste and Emergency Response

### WasteWise Annual Report

**Federal vs. State:** Federal

**Description:** The WasteWise Annual Progress Report describes the most recent waste reduction results reported by WasteWise partners, summarize other major program developments and accomplishments, and salute the most recent WasteWise award winners. WasteWise is an EPA voluntary partnership program through which businesses,

governments, and institutions reduce waste, benefitting their bottom line and the environment. Partners set their own goals and report their accomplishments in three areas: waste prevention, recycling, and buying/manufacturing recycled-content products. Currently, more than 1,200 partners receive technical assistance and recognition for their municipal solid waste reduction efforts. The Progress Report is an annual document which presents partners' voluntarily reported waste reduction numbers as well as examples of specific partners' achievements and general trends in the program.

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